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REMARKS TO NEWSMEN

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1. FULL TEXT OF SECRETARY'S JANUARY 2 INTERVIEW WITH BUSINESS WEEK POUCHED DOHA JANUARY 4. REFTEL (B), REPEATED TO DOHA, CONTAINS DEPARTMENT SPOKESMAN'S COMMENTS ON SUBJECT.

2. REUTERS ITEM APPEARING IN WASHINGTON POST JANUARY 4 SUMMARIZES SECRETARY'S BRIEF COMMENTS TO NEWSMEN AT SWEARING-IN CEREMONY OF UNDER SECRETARY FOR ECONOMIC AFFAIRS ROBINSON JANUARY 3. FOLLOWING PARAGRAPH QUOTES PERTINENT PORTIONS OF THIS ARTICLE.

3. QUOTE: SECRETARY OF STATE HENRY A. KISSINGER SAID YESTERDAY HE DID NOT FORESEE AN EMERGENCY OVER MIDDLE EAST OIL THAT WOULD CAUSE THE UNITED STATES TO CONSIDER USING FORCE. HE WAS RESPONDING TO REPORTERS' QUESTIONS ABOUT AN INTERVIEW PUBLISHED THURSDAY IN WHICH HE DID NOT RULE OUT THE USE OF FORCE IF THE INDUSTRIALIZED WORLD WAS BEING STRANGLER BY MIDDLE EAST OIL POLICIES. HE SAID IN THE INTERVIEW THAT THE USE OF FORCE WOULD BE CONSIDERED ONLY IN THE GRAVEST EMERGENCY. ...HE SAID HE DID NOT CONSIDER THE PRESENT SITUATION ONE OF THE GRAVEST EMERGENCY, AND ADDED, "I DO NOT FORESEE IT ARISING." KISSINGER STRESSED HE WAS REFERRING TO A DELIBERATE ATTEMPT TO STRANGLE THE INDUSTRIALIZED WORLD. THE WHITE HOUSE HAD MADE IT CLEAR EARLIER YESTERDAY THAT KISSINGER'S STATEMENTS IN THE INTERVIEW WERE SUPPORTED BY PRESIDENT FORD. PRESIDENTIAL SPOKESMAN RON NESSEN SAID THAT KISSINGER "WAS GIVING A HIGHLY QUALIFIED ANSWER TO A HYPOTHETICAL SITUATION"....KISSINGER WAS EMPHATIC IN REPEATING THAT THE POSSIBILITY OF USING FORCE "SPECIFICALLY DID NOT APPLY TO PRICES." END QUOTE.

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